

## Muutukis Update

Joe & Elfi in Nairobi, Kenya

Dear family and friends,

We are sending you sunny greetings from Kenya! Many of us love this weather, but now we are already praying for rain again. Thank you for joining us in prayer.

On March 2, we heard in the sermon that God's desire is to build His Kingdom, where His righteousness reigns. This includes reconciliation, not just with God, but also among ourselves as people. Where else do you see people from so many different cultures, backgrounds, and nations come together and accept each other? Ask the pastor! Only in God's Kingdom, where they worship Him together! Our guest speaker, Pastor Barry Henning from St. Louis, pointed out how visible this is in our church, New City Fellowship here in Nairobi. Praise be to God!

The past five months have been filled with many guests and events.

On December 17, our first guests arrived. Our Indian "daughter" **Anishma** came back to Kenya after six years, this time with her husband Elias. We were overjoyed to see them again!

Shortly after, our children from Germany arrived. First, **Timmy** came with his girlfriend, and then

**Anne** and Sebastian, her husband, arrived with their twins. It was an exciting and wonderful time for all of us!







Sadly, during this time, Elfi's stepfather passed away, and she had to make a short trip to Germany for a week for the funeral. She was grateful to go and be with the other family members

Elfi and I had two weeks of rest before welcoming our next guests from the USA. Our pastor from St. Louis came with his family for a week, which was a very wonderful time again to us.

Then, the *Neema ya Mungu* team from Germany arrived few days later. "Neema ya Mungu" means "Grace of God" in Swahili, and this ministry supports various projects for young people who are poor or orphaned in Kenya.

We already have notifications from three more people to visit at different dates before end of May. We love guests.



## **Church and University ministry**



In October, we celebrated the **25th anniversary of Overcomers by Grace,** our ministry for people with disabilities.

It was a special time of thanksgiving for all that God has done in these 25 years.

In December, Elfi hosted the **annual Christmas gathering** for the women in our garden. There were 38 ladies in total! Their monthly meetings continue, and they are now planning a women's retreat in April. Please pray that more women will attend and that God will provide someone to serve full-time in



Since March 2024, twelve new people have signed up to become **members of our church**, and they are currently attending our membership class.



Thank you for praying for the youth! We now have **two new teachers** for our Gen Z class (ages 16–22)—praise God! Last month, we also restarted our adult Sunday school, which had been on pause since COVID-19. We're so grateful to see progress here as well.

I continue to teach two classes at **Daystar University**, and we thank God that everything is going well.

At the end of May, Elfi and I will be traveling to Germany for an extended stay. We would love to visit with those we can during our stay. We also plan on a one week visit to St Louis in July to attend a conference organized by the Kingdom Restoration Society (KRS) where I am scheduled to speak.

Elfi is so thankful that her foot has healed well, and she can walk again.

Thank you for your prayers!

## Blessings,

Joe and Elfi

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